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SUNSET AND DAWN

"Heralding The Coming Of A New Order"

(See Inside Cover)



Sunset and Dawn



THE DAYS would be dark and dreary and each sunset a harbinger of evil if there were no assurance of a coming tomorrow! Under such conditions men could not watch the changing colors of a beautiful evening sky with any degree of pleasure, for, with the setting of the sun, all their hopes would die.

It would be a difficult task to describe the fear that would grip the hearts of men if, with drawn faces and eyes full of terror, they were to behold the light of the day fade in what they understood to be the last sunset as the darkness of a lightless eternity engulfed them. Yet the overshadowing gloom and despair of those who might live at such a time would be no greater than that of many who have seen the sun go down on their plans and ambitions, with all hope gone that their desires will be realized in a coming tomorrow.

It matters little how difficult the present may be, or how heavy the burden of sorrow and trouble, if the glories of the richly-painted sunset sky speak to our hearts of a coming sunrise. The young man and maiden, preparing for life, are oblivious to hardship and privation when they have an expectancy of a full realization of their ambitions in the dawn of a better day. If the sunset means shattered hopes and unfulfilled dreams, then the overshadowing darkness turns the former zeal to live and the love of work into a burden.

A loved one passes over the Great Divide, but in the midst of the deepest sorrow comfort comes. For when the light of day fades at eventide, the crimson sky gives assurance that there will yet come the dawn of a new morning. Equally so, the Christian carries in his heart the hope of the resurrection (I Cor. 15: 12-19), knowing that a glorious reunion will come when there shall be no more crying or sorrow, for God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes (Rev. 21: 4).

The world today is torn by bloodshed and strife! Many see only the lengthening shadows of the sunset of the present age. They are filled

with forebodings and fear. Yet there are those who are far from despair and who continue to fight and work with unflinching faith because, inherent within them is that trust which continually enlivens their expectancy that in God's appointed time the present carnage—born of chaos and war—will pass away. Their hope, based upon the secure foundation of the fulfillment of the prophecies of the Scriptures, is that the sunset of the present order will be followed by a glorious sunrise, fulfilling the vision of a coming tomorrow when peace will be established throughout all the earth.

Is their expectancy justified? If it were not for the fact that men possess a chart which records the timing of the sunset of the present order, accompanied by a description in marvelous detail of the dawn of a new era, there could be no real justification for such optimism. The same Book which brings hope to the dying and comfort to the sorrowing declares to us who are witnessing the death struggles of the present order that the Sun of Righteousness will arise with healing in His wings (Mal. 4: 2). The promise is that, following sunset and darkness, will come the dawn of a new and glorious day when nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more (Isa. 2: 1-4). Men will not labor in vain in that tomorrow, nor bring forth for trouble. They will all enjoy the labor of their hands; and righteous visions will be fulfilled and holy ambitions realized.

The international sky is taking on the hues of a setting sun, as nation rises against nation. Yet in the very lengthening shadows of the passing order is written the promise of the end of oppression for those who now groan under heavy burdens. *Though it is eventide there is light*—for the chart shows that soon, *very soon*, the dawn will come. Micah the Prophet (4: 4) tells us that in that day "they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the Lord of hosts hath spoken it."

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THE MARCH OF HISTORY

History's Turning-Point

Daily Mail for October 19, 1953. This statement was used as the caption to news commenting on the Soviet explosion of an H-bomb on August 12 and announced eight days later, on August 20, 1953—an event rightly styled as a major turning-point in history.

In the three years which have followed that announcement the entire world situation has undergone great changes, with Soviet Russia making her power increasingly felt in disputed areas and wherever centers of world disturbance have developed. The year 1953 was indeed history's turning-point and was what the above news report stated it to be: "the gravest yet." In commenting further upon the news release of August 20, 1953, the editorial writer correctly appraised its importance, for it shook the complacency of every Western government:

"Atomic experts in the United States were shaken by the news. It implied that Russia had bypassed certain processes in nuclear fission to get ahead of the West with the much more destructive H-bomb."

For the past three years we have been witnessing an atomic arms race the deadliness of which has been known to those familiar with what is going on behind the scenes. Even the present Egyptian defiance of the West stems from Soviet strength in nuclear weapons. Actually the over-all world situation has been com-

pletely changed as a result of what took place in August of 1953. The public at large is not as yet fully aware of the world-shaking effect of the Soviet acquisition of the H-bomb, while the great majority of those who, prior to August 20, 1953, were watching for sensational developments on that date, so outstandingly marked in the chronological revelation of the Great Pyramid of Gizeh, failed to note its importance. In spite of the present skepticism of many, the passing of time is going to vindicate beyond any question of doubt the accuracy of the chronological evidence set forth in this great monument.

On a number of occasions during the past years DESTINY has pointed out that the three days of darkness preceding the exodus of Israel from Egypt and the three and a half "days" of the "death of the witnesses" of chapter eleven in the Book of Revelation, preceding their "resurrection," may have startling implications in Great Pyramid chronology. The six-months' interval between the three and the three and a half years (a day for a year), computing from August 20, 1953, may very likely mark the time when events will vindicate the accuracy of the allegorical message of God's Witness in Stone situated in the midst of the land of Egypt as conditions in the Middle East become increasingly serious.

The critical developments in Egypt, caused by the seizure of the Suez Canal nineteen years (a lunar cycle) after Farouk I was acclaimed King, punctuate the

beginning of this six-months' period. Furthermore, both Mr. J. Bernard Nicklin and Mr. William O. Lay, Jr., demonstrate the significance of the 1260 day-period in Biblical chronological measures (see "Suez Canal Crisis" and "Sudden Travail," this issue) and they have pointed out that the Egyptian seizure of the Suez Canal came at the end of 12 x 1260 days from the beginning of World War I on August 1-3, 1914. As set forth in "Deliverance Through Trouble, DESTINY for September 1954 (pp. 301-306), and shown on the Chronological Chronograph charts published in DESTINY for February 1953 (p. 69) and May 1953 (p. 156), the Fourth Watch of the Night of the Ages begins October 15, 1956, right in the midst of this strongly marked six-months' period. It is not necessary to speculate as to the meaning of all this for we have only to wait a short time before the march of events will reveal the full import of all that this signifies.

For Fear of the People MAJOR ISSUES that are on the agenda for consideration by our government are waiting until after next November for action. Among those issues is Red China's admission to the UN. When the presidential election is over this fall, will the administration quietly allow Red China to be seated in the UN? Will their protest at that time be only for the purpose of saving face and for public consumption and not with the object of really preventing the seating of Red China? *Human Events* for July 21, 1956 has this to say:

"A fatalistic pessimism is settling over many Washington quarters concerning what looks like a distinct possibility that one of the first things the United Nations General Assembly will do when it meets in November, one week after our general elections, will be to seat Communist China. The belief gains wider and wider acceptance that the skids already have been greased, that the United States can do nothing to prevent it."

Of course, the United States could do something about it, for we are in a position to prevent Red China from being seated in the UN. But, unfortunately, the powers that be, the politicians in office, and the one-worlders in high places in the government, do not want to do anything about it. If the issue of the admission of Red China to the United Nations were placed on the ballot at the November election, the voters would overwhelmingly serve notice on the UN assembly that, with Red China's admission to the UN, the United States would walk out of that organization. However, both political parties would shun such a demonstration of the people's will like picnickers avoid a skunk at a lawn party.

Nehru's Private War THE WOULD-BE world peace-maker, the self-styled champion of those who seek national independence, who constantly makes himself available as a mediator in every quarrel, is himself carrying on a private war of his own against those whose only offense is the desire

to perpetuate their independence. Nehru would violently condemn in another what he is now doing himself.

The leaders of the Naga tribesmen in India's Assam repeatedly tried to negotiate peace with Nehru in seeking approval of the independent status they have enjoyed for many years, but without success. Nehru has ordered full-scale war against them. *The Times of India*, normally pro-Nehru, condemns his action as he moves to crush Naga resistance, the tribal customs of whom he has ignored.

When Nehru again undertakes to intervene in troubled areas of the world by offering his services as an ambassador of peace, he should be reminded of this private war he is waging in his own back yard. He should be told that his actions belie his words, as evidenced by his ordering of Indian troops to hunt the Nagas in the hills and destroy their villages. Let him practice what he preaches if he would indeed appear before the world as a man of peace. Apparently it makes a difference to him whose ox is being gored!

Jets to Tito IT IS REPORTED that 380 jet planes are on schedule to be shipped to Tito in Yugoslavia. Just why does the Administration continue to give support to one who has already stated, and quite recently when in Moscow, that Yugoslavia will march side by side with their Soviet comrades in Russia?

Senator William F. Knowland (California) opposed further aid to Communist Yugoslavia, but the Administration was in opposition to Mr. Knowland's stand. Yet we are certain that the great majority of the American people would support Senator Knowland in his endeavor to prevent further aid going to Tito if they had an opportunity to do so.

The situation is frustrating to those who wish to register their opposition to the give-away program, for they have no means to publicly express their convictions in a way that will bring redress since both major parties are committed to the squandering of the American taxpayers' money on overseas projects which are definitely strengthening our potential enemies. Millions of Americans today are compelled to remain silent, lacking a medium through which they can express their desires.

A new political party is needed where men will be nominated to run for office who will zealously defend our nation's interests. Meantime, hundreds of thousands of Americans are virtually disfranchised insofar as having any opportunity to state their preferences is concerned, or register their convictions in the polling booths at election time.

Benighted Multitudes THE PERSON OF faith, ever mindful of God and His presence and accustomed to relate all matters to His will, often loses sight of the fact that others without this attitude have a completely different outlook. Yet every now and then some item in the public prints

lays bare the shadowy half-world in which the unfaithful multitude dwell. Not long ago, in a national magazine, an article by Philip Wylie entitled "What's Happening to Mom?" contained this remarkable statement:

"So many of us, in the past few generations, have taken a large or small part in a national binge, trying as if drunk-ly to love Things and Slogans instead of the only proper love-object: people."

That such an assertion could be made in all seriousness betrays appallingly how little impact 35 centuries of Mosaic-Christian civilization have had upon the thinking of the average citizen. The teaching of Moses, subsequently reaffirmed in the strongest possible language by Jesus Christ, is that the primary object of human love is neither things and slogans, nor people, but God:

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment." (Matt. 22: 37-38.)

Even when lip service is paid the Creator, it is done in a manner which reveals a profound, often pathetic, ignorance of God and His ways. A prominent actress, asked about her religious affiliation upon checking into a hospital, replied "no" to specific denominations and then added, "But I do believe in God." Clearly Christian teaching has failed to "get across" one of its cardinal tenets: since the Great Mediator appeared on earth, belief in God is futile (devils believe but tremble) unless one also accepts the lone Way through which He may be approached. The Divine Saviour was not speaking idly when He declared, "No man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

Because of this widespread, almost universal, heedlessness of God and ignorance of the most elemental principles of spiritual well-being, a rude and unforgettable jolt awaits the benighted multitudes when God moves to exact the honor and obedience which are His due. If an era of true world peace is to come, as the Biblical sages declare unanimously it shall, it must be through the re-centering of all individual lives upon the Eternal Godhead rather than their materialistic surroundings.

Phoney Pharaoh WE ARE INDEBTED to Miss Gladys Smith of St. Leonards-on-Sea, England, for a most interesting news report which appeared as a feature article in *The Sunday Express*, London, England, for June 17, 1956. It is titled "Why Not Crush This Phoney Pharaoh?" The author is Hugh Fraser, Tory M. P. for Stafford and Stone. In an open letter to Mr. Fraser, Miss Smith called his attention to ancient Biblical prophecies concerning judgment destined to come upon Egypt at this time. These Scriptural forecasts are covered in the article, "Shaking His Hand Over Egypt" (this issue). However, because of the prophetic significance underlying the proposals made by Mr. Fraser, we are quoting excerpts from his article here so that DESTINY readers may know that what the prophets have declared would overtake Egypt is even now being contemplated by those considering

the seriousness of the present crisis. Mr. Fraser writes:

"Nasser is weak in all but words. Why should we then cosset [pamper] him?"

"Is it because of the advice of those anti-British, American do-gooders, who see in his type of hysterical Arab-nationalism a cleansing wind such as they saw in Mossadegh, and doubtless much as they would have seen in Genghis Khan or Attila, had they been allies of any of his victims of the period?"

"Or is it because of the fear that Russia will step in with aid instead?"

"Or because of the loss of our now deserted but 'reactivable' base?"

"Well, if it be fear of Russia in Egypt, Russia has already arrived. The MIGs have come, the bombers are coming, the destroyers are on the way. What is more, Russia is today buying Egyptian long-staple cotton at a price above the world market and, to tighten her economic stranglehold, unloading it abroad unworked at a heavy discount.

"It is no good being taken in by Nasser's suppression of the Communist Party. Under Nasser the Soviet Union is not far from ruling in Cairo.

"Is it not significant that the Soviet Foreign Minister Shepilov's first-ever official foreign visit should be to Egypt? It would be folly indeed to give further succour to such an alliance.

"Then if it be fear of losing the base, why, with Nasser there and British troops departed, the base is already lost. Worse, the base is an actual impediment to British policy. Far better to sell it outright for the Egyptian sterling balances than to waste money restocking those tins of bully beef not already stolen.

"What, then, should be done? If Nasser will not behave, should we send gunboats up the Suez—as the Tory leadership recommended when in Opposition?"

"I say that this is not even necessary. It is not Suez which controls Egypt. It is the Nile. Were it not for the Nile Egypt would starve tomorrow. Yet who controls the constant-flowing Nile? Who controls this great stream which is Egypt's lifeblood?"

"Not Nasser. Nor any of Nasser's allies. The headwaters of the White Nile are our great Equatorial lakes in East Africa. The Nile is controlled by Britain.

"Here then is where we can bring Nasser to heel. This is our hold on Egypt.

"I do not suggest that, having guaranteed a sufficiency of water to Khartoum, we should set about diverting the waters of the Nile without notice.

"Easy enough though it be to do, through Smith Sound on Lake Victoria, there is no need for such an action. We can, and should, demand a scheme for one over-all Nile Valley Authority—a scheme which will benefit all from Nairobi to Alexandria, and in which neither Nasser nor his little dream of a High Dam at Aswan could play a puffed-up part.

"By all means let the Russians, if they are such real philanthropists, put up some funds toward such a noble conception. But if Nasser continues to trouble us—why, we can make it plain that there are good uses for the Nile's life-giving water in the arid lands of Kenya, Tanganyika, Uganda and the Sudan."

A Heart of Gladness WHEN MEN LOSE their sense of humor, circumstances become drab indeed. The ability to laugh—and even to be laughed at—produces a healthy, normal

situation. Laughter is a balance wheel that enables society to carry on in spite of every obstacle and gives men the courage to face serious conditions in a spirit of confidence. But today America is compromising its gift of laughter, a virtue that enabled our forefathers to meet and overcome seemingly insurmountable obstacles as they laid the foundation of this great nation. It is a God-given asset to see the humorous side of life and to be able to smile in spite of all the troubles along the way.

Is America today no longer in possession of that implicit faith in an over-all Providence that gives assurance of the silver lining to every cloud? Even in adversity can we not trust Him "till he fill thy mouth with laughter, and thy lips with rejoicing" (Job 8: 21)? Are men and women so befogged by conflicting emotions today that they can no longer see the humorous aspect and face responsibility and even discouraging situations without a sullen and dispirited face?

Endeavoring to explain the absence of mirth in certain quarters in our midst, and attributing this lack to the possibility that the funny bone of many having been stunted in some professional infancy, *Human Events* for July 14, 1956 observes:

"Another explanation, and this may have more merit, is that minority pressures are so inhibiting professional writers that they find it more and more difficult all the time to be funny. The blackfaced comedian is gone; *Little Black Sambo* has been purged from the shelves of the Rochester Library; no company plays *The Green Pastures* any more. So, too, with the be-derbied Jew in his baggy pants: tell a Jewish story these days and you're anti-Semitic; the Anti-Defamation League dispatches anguished letters. You can't kid the Catholics, the Italians, the Greeks or the Irish. All the villains must be named Jones, and there is even a Society for the Prevention of the Use of the Name Jones, by way of example."

As *Human Events* comments, "Be funny? One might as well plead with Mrs. Roosevelt, 'Be quiet!'" It was T. Tickell in *On the Prospects of Peace* who said:

"Fight virtue's cause, stand up in wit's defense,
Win us from vice, and laugh us into sense."

When laughter ceases, humor is forbidden and mirth becomes a crime, happiness and contentment take wings and fly away.

The Accelerating Crisis IN AN APPRAISAL of the developing crisis in the Middle East, we stated in *DESTINY* for May 1956 in the editorial titled "Mideast Shadows Deepen" (p. 99):

"The whole British power position in the Middle East is now threatened as a result of the swift moves in Jordan, Palestine and Egypt. . . . The entire Middle East is rapidly moving toward the very climax to which all the prophets have referred, with Soviet Russia, the Gog of Ezekiel's chapter 38, working behind the scenes to force the contending participants into the inevitable clash of arms on which she hopes to capitalize."

Reference was made to the inevitability of the developing crisis in the Middle East because of the failure

to allow General Douglas MacArthur to crush Chinese Communist aggression in Korea, which would have set the Soviet timetable of aggression back for many years. It was pointed out in the above-mentioned editorial that for the very allies who counseled appeasement in the Far East, chickens are now coming home to roost as they grapple with the Middle Eastern crisis. In view of this earlier comment in *DESTINY*, the following from *Human Events* for August 11, 1956 is most enlightening:

"Observers say both the Chinese push in Burma and the Suez Canal seizure are part of a general Communist offensive strategy. They reason that we are now reaping the fruits of an 'appeasement' policy which the Communists believe will keep the West from getting tough no matter what the Reds or their allies do. Burma, it is conceded here, has long been the likely 'next' on the Communist timetable; the only question was when the Reds would move. Opinion is almost unanimous that the recent invasions, like the Indo-Chinese war, would never have occurred if MacArthur had had his way in Korea. Even the Alsops came around to this view. 'The free world,' the brothers wrote June 13, 1954, 'would not now be menaced with a catastrophe in Asia if MacArthur had won his fight against the artificial limits of the Korean War.'"

The present Egyptian seizure of the Suez Canal came as no surprise to those familiar with the Prophetic Word concerning Egypt, and it should not have come as a surprise to either London or Washington as it was on the military agenda in the timetable of aggression against the West.

Will the next major move result in the destruction of the Canal itself? The Prophetic Word indicates such a blow will fall and the Canal will become useless. What effect will this have upon the world economic front? The cutting off of the Middle East oil from Western Europe could be disastrous insofar as modern industry is concerned. Does the present Egyptian threat to blow up this waterway portend its ultimate destruction?

Boastful Acclamation to the throne in France

WHEN LOUIS XVI came in 1774, the public indebtedness was high, the treasury was exhausted, the state in debt and the people burdened with intolerable taxation. Unable to solve the problem, though he tried, Louis XVI finally appointed as Minister of Finance Alexandre de Calonne. Commenting upon this era of France's economic dilemma, Ridpath, in his *History of the World*, states of Calonne:

"Altogether reckless of consequences, or else not foreseeing the inevitable results of such a course, he cheerfully adopted the maxim of 'After us the deluge!' and proceeded to produce a fictitious prosperity by running the state still more deeply in debt. He was one of the most plausible casuists of his time; and for a season his financial theories seemed to be verified by the facts. The French exchequer, so to speak, borrowed money, bought champagne, drank to intoxication, and imagined itself rich. When the time came for payments, still larger loans were contracted; and with the coming of the next settlement, still larger. The country responded to the stimulus thus afforded, and such

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Month By Month .

by A. R. H.

AT THE TIME of compiling this commentary on the fulfillment of prophecy in current events, news has just flashed around the globe announcing Nasser's "Seizure of Suez." Certainly it is news to startle sleepwalkers! But as students of the prophetic Scriptures, readers of DESTINY are not surprised. Ironically enough, those who most openly express "surprise" are the highly-paid professional diplomats and politicians, whose job it is to see that disconcerting incidents of this kind do not happen.

What a month July 1956 has been! Commencing with the warning signal of the Mt. Elias earthquake in the Aegean Islands (as a result of which, incidentally, the Mt. Elijah Monastery was destroyed), it culminated with the *Andrea Doria* disaster—tantamount to a *Titanic* warning—which, with news of the Canal crisis, hit the headlines of the world's news on the selfsame day.

What Price Imperialism

Those who denigrated Britain's role in Egypt as being an unworthy example of out-of-date imperialism are now witnesses of what happens when the impartial influence and responsible sovereignty of a great power is replaced by the control of a revolutionary junta which, misusing the authority it enjoys, attempts or threatens to hold up the maritime nations of the world to ransom.

For those who live on the continent of North America, enjoying plentiful supplies of oil, as it were on their "doorstep," it is probably difficult to envisage the critical predicament of an island like Britain which depends for oil on Middle East supplies.

By the time this article appears in print (i.e., October) the implications of what has happened should have become obvious enough to convince anyone that the Premier of Ceylon, Mr. Bandaranaike, commenting on the gravity of the crisis, was fully justified in making the challenging assertion: "*The Suez Crisis is the most serious threat to peace since World War II. The threat of war should by all possible means be avoided.*"

Built by Slaves

In recent outbursts inciting the Cairo mobs to intoxicated states of frenzied adoration, Abdel Nasser claimed that the Canal was "*built on the skulls of 120 thousand slaves.*" Subsequently the Falangist press in Madrid embellished this *cri de coeur*, echoing the implication that the British had been responsible for the human suffering involved in its construction.

There is not a trace of truth in this distorted implication. Indeed, the British government, under the premiership of Palmerston, was vigorously opposed to the very conception of a canal at the time of its proposed construction, realizing that it would augment considerably French naval power in the Indian Ocean.

In 1859, when Ferdinand de Lesseps started work, Egypt was still a protectorate of the Ottoman Empire.

It was the Khedive of Egypt who introduced the infamous *corvée* (or forced labor) system, which shocked the conscience of the civilized world. The construction of the Canal was the sole responsibility of the Turks and Egyptians, so that to imply that Britain was the villain of this infamy is adding insult to injury indeed.

Disraeli Buys Shares

It was not until sixteen years afterward that Britain came into the picture, when, the Khedive having become insolvent, Benjamin Disraeli secured a 3/8th share holding in the company and forced the purchase through Parliament despite the hostility to the Canal idea still rampant in the suspicious minds of the government of which he was Prime Minister. As James Cameron vividly depicts some of the paradoxes of this strange story:

"Three thousand years ago people were thinking of scratching a ditch across the Isthmus that links Asia with Africa, correcting a Nature which forgot to unite the Mediterranean with the Red Sea. President Nasser has now acquired a stretch of waterway which Cleopatra couldn't have; that Palmerston did not want; that was built by a Frenchman by permission of the Turks; a slice of which was bought shrewdly by a Jewish Premier of Britain; a waterway which for seven years past has been available to everyone except the Jews."

It is only as we look into this controversy with complete objectivity, free from personal feelings, that we can discern the hidden motives concealed behind all the ballyhoo and fever-heated exhibitions of mass hysteria.

Nasser Seizes Suez

In actuality the popular news headline, "*Nasser Seizes Suez*," is misleading and a misnomer. Since Suez is Egyptian territory, Nasser does not need to seize it. What Nasser has done is to nationalize, by an act of expropriation, the assets of *Le Compagnie Universelle du Canal de Suez*.

As Khrushchev's clever speech in Moscow commending this action shows with crystal clarity, every turn and twist in the complicated legal aspects of this question have been anticipated in advance by expert jurists. With such legal luminaries to guide him, Nasser's heralded Moscow visit, long since neatly timed for August, confirms that the groundwork for this "*Suez denouement*," supervised by Dmitri Shepilov during his recent visit, was planned meticulously and all too well.

That which is legal, however, is not necessarily equitable. And Britain—whose concern in maintaining the freedom of the seas is paramount—has avoided the trap of contesting the action on strictly legal grounds. The standpoint adopted by the British Government is that an arbitrary and unilateral act has been taken which constitutes a breach of faith and breaking of the spirit of the 1954 Anglo-Egyptian Agreement, which inter

alia, reaffirmed adherence to the principle of free navigation embodied in the 1888 Treaty of Constantinople.

Nasser's contention has been that Egypt was not among the nine signatories to this convention. But having signed the 1954 Agreement which reaffirms this Treaty, the modern Egypt of Nasser is committed in more binding fashion morally than if Egypt had put a signature assenting to this principle sixty-eight years ago.

Piratical Political Blackmail

If the withdrawal of Anglo-American proposals offering aid in building the Aswan High Dam was intended to force Nasser to disclose his hand, it certainly succeeded immediately in doing so. As a counter-measure to this tactic it was ingenious to announce that henceforth the High Dam would be financed from stepped-up payments of Canal dues extracted from all who use it. But if the maritime nations of the world rebel at being made the victims of political blackmail, then the countermeasure as a practical proposal becomes abortive. To have assayed a repetition of the rape of Abadan may have seemed at first sight a master stroke, but already the venture has misfired badly. As the Editor of the *Daily Telegraph* puts it:

"Revenue from the Canal is the whole basis of Nasser's calculations. It is profits he wants, not idle water. But to defiance he has added folly. The heady cheers of the Cairo mobs are no substitute for hard cash. All the Western powers need to do is to give a strategic push to overthrow a man who has already overreached himself and thrown away the credit of a 'good name' with such reckless unconcern."

Meanwhile, reporting as an on-the-spot observer in Cairo, Sefton Delmer indicates that there is much more behind this challenge than meets the eye when he confides as follows:

"I have talked with Nasser and listened to him expound his views just as I used to talk with Hitler. In my view the two men have a fundamentally similar make-up which drives them into the same mistakes.

"Egypt's ex-colonel, like the Austrian ex-corporal, is a simple semiliterate soldier turned politician. Like Hitler he suffers from a gift for the spurious over-simplification of complex issues, attractive in a demagogue but dangerous in a statesman. Like Hitler, he believes in blackmail and violence."

A Push South

After referring to "the group of ex-S.S. men who have been tutoring Nasser in the technique of dictatorship," Sefton Delmer continues:

"The seizure of the Suez Canal is no impromptu decision although it is as much a part of Nasser's mad 'Let's try it on' plan as the treaty-breaking occupation of Czechoslovakia was a part of Hitler's plan. With the Canal, Nasser means to hold the Western world to ransom for its oil and make it pay him vast royalties."

"With these royalties Nasser means to further his dream of a great Egyptian-dominated Arabian empire stretching from Morocco to the Persian Gulf. And when this has been established, he means to push south and blast the whites out of the rest of Africa."

"Nasser also relies on the Russians. But above all he believes that the advent of the hydrogen bomb has made the world safe for subversion and illegality. No one, he reckons, will run the risk of taking sanctions for fear of provoking an H-bomb war."

Master of Destiny

In view of the fact that the Canal Concession comes to an end in 1968, one may well ask: "Why the hurry?" Guy Eden, in the *Daily Sketch*, adds the query: "The big question mark is: What is the Soviet Government's part in all this?" To which Edward Atiyah, of the former Arab Bureau in London, gives the penetrating answer: "It may be that Nasser's action in respect of the Canal is, partly at least, the price which Russia is exacting for such financial aid as she may be going to offer him."

Primarily, the incident is a test of strength, enabling the Kremlin to ascertain how far Britain will go in defending vital interests in this crucial area. Nasser must perforce turn to Moscow now for finance since, by his own act, he has barred himself from access to the money markets of the world. For the Soviet Government, Nasser remains an ideal dupe or tool in opening the way for furthering their own plans of expansion. As the London *Times* correspondent in Moscow warns us:

"Statements in the Russian press leave no doubt that Moscow is fully backing Egypt in the present situation. *Pravda*, the Communist party newspaper, hailed the nationalization move as one that made Egypt master of its own destiny."

"At the same time, the views of the Soviet government, as disclosed in the government's newspaper, *Izvestia*, were expressed in unusually strong language against Israel. It is alleged that statements in Israeli government circles cast doubt on their desire to seek peace in that area."

The World's Crossroads

In his autobiographical book entitled *The Philosophy of the Revolution*, Gamal Abdel Nasser makes it clear that his mind roams far and wide beyond the confines of the merely domestic and industrial problems of the land of Egypt. Thus he proclaims:

"Fate has so willed that we should be on the crossroads of the world. As I see it, I am facing a world which has no boundaries. I believe that Imperialism is playing a one card game, only in order to threaten. If ever it knew that there were Egyptians ready to shed their blood and meet force with force, then it would withdraw and recoil like a harlot. This, of course, is the state and habit of Imperialism everywhere."

"Petroleum is the vital nerve of civilization without which none of its means can exist."

It was Nasser's obsession over this question of the power of petroleum which resulted in opposition members of Parliament in Britain giving full support to government measures taken to meet the crisis. As a Labor Member in a House of Commons debate expostulated:

"This is a threat to strangle the whole industry of Europe. This technique is precisely that which we got used to in Hitler's day. There do not exist in the world sufficient tankers to move the oil required by Europe, without using the Suez Canal."

Nasser's extravagant flights of oratory sometimes include America as being among the "wicked imperialists" bent on dreams of domination. On a recent occasion he raged:

"What Washington wants is to colonize and control us. But we will not stoop before force or dollars. No Imperialist will ever be able to hook us politically or economically. Let the West swallow its frustration. May your hate choke you to death. You will not be able to control us because we know our way. Egypt is going ahead with the dam."

Since his political prestige as a dictator is tied up with the dream of building the biggest dam in the world, Nasser's exasperation against anything seeming to stand in his path is characteristic of the paranoiac mentality of all dictators. By contrast, the London *Times* editorial entitled "A Time for Decision" sums up the situation with characteristic restraint and sobriety when it asserts:

"The seizure is an act of international brigandage and is, in its implications, the severest blow so far dealt against the West by a so-called neutralist country. If Colonel Nasser can demonstrate that he may with impunity appropriate assets and destroy Western interests, others are certain to follow Egypt's lead.

"For Britain the results could be dire. Interference with the free use of the Canal would cut at the root of both her domestic economy and of her survival as a Great Power. It would mean the severance of her strategic sea-links with Asia, the Far East and Australia.

"If Nasser were allowed to get away with this *coup*, then all the British and other Western interests in the Middle East will crumble."

Hinges of History

"The modern world has suffered many acts which were claimed to be assertions of domestic sovereignty. They were in fact hinges of history. Nasser's seizure of the Canal company is another such turning point.

"Quibbling over as to whether or not he was legally entitled to make the grab entirely misses the real issues. Anyone who thinks that a victory for Nasser would not encourage other extremist demands—against the oil fields and strategic bases—should confine himself to playing blind-man's buff. There can be no stability or confidence in the world so long as agreements can be scrapped with impunity."

To which a famous Air Marshal makes pertinent comment when he positively affirms: "Nasser's action in Egypt, and the inevitable reaction in Moscow, prove to any but the abject wishful thinker, what the Kremlin's new policy of smiles and hiccups is really worth!"

Reactions from other parts of the globe were equally striking and realistic. Thus the *Sydney Herald* protested:

"As a communication artery the Canal is of vital importance and as vital as ever to no member of the British Commonwealth more than Australia. The prospect of the Canal passing into the sole control of a State which has amply demonstrated both its hostility to Britain and contempt for international agreements cannot be contemplated. The risk that Egypt might respond to sanctions by throwing herself into the arms of Russia has to be accepted."

From Rome came news that the Italian Cabinet had

reacted strongly. In a leading article, *La Stampa* of Turin uttered the remonstrative warning:

"The West obviously cannot maintain a passive attitude without losing face and running the risk of witnessing the collapse of all its positions in the Middle East and in all its ex-colonial possessions."

In Paris, the ex-Premier, M. Rene Pleven, averred:

"If the British and the French do not act together despite any reserve which America may feel, then it will be Munich all over again."

Diverting the Nile

Moreover, as Guy Eden dramatically divulged in a special *Daily Sketch* report:

"The British and French Foreign Ministers are agreed that every step necessary must be taken to ensure the freedom of the Suez Canal. These steps include diplomatic, economic and military action.

"THEY MIGHT, AS A LAST RESORT, INCLUDE STOPPING THE WATERS OF THE NILE—A STEP WHICH WOULD RAPIDLY BRING NEAR FAMINE TO EGYPT."

Finally, in the House of Lords, Lord Hore Belisha, during the "Suez" debate, urged the immediate adoption of the plan for constructing an alternative canal, either from Akaba to Haifa or from Akaba to Gaza, stating that work should commence without delay so that by 1968 something practical would have been accomplished toward providing an alternative sea-lane route to the Indian Ocean.

There is a sense in which it is true to say that Nature "forgot" to join the Mediterranean to the Red Sea. But what Nature forgot the Lord of Nature—the Lord God of the whole earth—has not forgotten nor overlooked, as some in their ignorance of the Scriptures may opine. Prophecy indicates a time soon coming when these great changes will be carried out by Divine intervention operating through Nature's gigantic forces.

For at the same time as the Gulf of Suez—"the tongue of the Egyptian sea" (Isa. 11: 15)—is destroyed, a great seismological upheaval causes the permanent inundation of the Jordan Valley. Zechariah and Ezekiel both give sidelights on this great Earthquake as a consequence of which "a very great Valley" is formed when, as predicted, "the Mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west" (Zech. 14: 4).

This newly formed East-to-West great valley brings fresh water into the Jordan Valley which is 14 miles wide and from 600 to 1300 feet deep, measured from sea level. Isaiah describes a scene in which "proud vessels" sail by on the "broad rivers" or canals channeled out by the upheaval (Isa. 33: 21). Always assuming that the exits and entrances at the Akaba and Haifa, Jaffa or Gaza ends were excavated adequately—and from the vividness of the descriptions it is certain that the forces of Nature will make a good job of it—the Jordan Valley, which even today, if flooded, would make a waterway wider than Southampton Water or the Hudson River at New York, is thus destined to accommodate with ease the proudest "Queens" among the largest liners afloat.

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was the temporary prosperity that the privileged classes began to persuade themselves that the deluge would never come. Calonne went on from year to year. The mountain of debt rose higher and higher. But who cared for debt while the country was prosperous? Who cared for the judgment day as long as the government flourished and the privileged orders were exempt from burdens? History has presented many such examples as that afforded by Calonne; but never one that did not ultimately collapse in its own magnificence."

This gives rise to the question: Is history again repeating itself? Debts, both governmental and private, are on the increase. While borrowing in Louis XVI's time was mostly confined to governmental activities, today it is indulged in by millions of American citizens through the institution of the installment plan of buying. A spiral inflation continues, with strikes adding to the cost of living. Our currency, instead of being based on gold, is backed by government bonds; therefore, it is equivalent to printing press, or fiat, money. Yet, in spite of all this, there is an outward appearance of increasing prosperity belying any warning of coming disaster—just as in Louis XVI's time there was a season when the financial theories of Calonne seemed to be verified by the facts under a wave of temporary prosperity that led the people to believe the deluge would never come.

Does their cocky attitude have its counterpart now in the acclamations of many economists who are stating in glowing terms that there will be continually increasing prosperity under the present system? Are these economists only echoing what John in Revelation declared would be the position taken just before the end? The world economy is symbolically titled *Babylon the Great* and the following words are put into her mouth:

"For she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow." (Rev. 18: 7.)

Are not the economists proclaiming the present world economy will continue to rule like a queen in the marts of trade? Are they not also declaring she will not become a widow; that is, prosperity will continue indefinitely? Are they not boasting of its power, its assets and its far-flung trade, assuring us there can be no downturn but rather a continual spiraling expansion?

How well John describes just such an attitude as that manifested today by the utterances of financial leaders and economic experts. But John declares that suddenly, unheralded by advance warning, judgment will fall upon the entire world economic system and its destruction will be complete. This is the purport of the message set forth in the 18th chapter of Revelation. Do we have, in the experience of France a century and a half ago, an historical pattern of what today is being repeated, but on a much grander scale, with the entire world economy itself coming to judgment? The next year or two should tell the story, for the inflationary spiral has just about run its course.

If John was given a true picture of the situation—and we know that he was—there are events of vital import on the agenda for fulfillment in the immediate future. In the midst of pronouncing judgment upon

the world economic system, John addresses a special message to those who are serving the Lord:

"Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and ye holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her." (Rev. 18: 20.)

If this particular group to whom John speaks are told to rejoice, it follows that all those who trust the Lord do not need to be alarmed when they realize that the present world economy is doomed to utter destruction. Knowing the purpose of the Divine judgment, they await with interest those developments which will bring about the violent overthrow of Babylon the Great, which is to be like a mighty angel taking up a stone like a great millstone and casting it into the sea. Afterward the reorganization of the world economy will come about, not in accordance with the present world order, but in conformity with the Divine laws which are to underlie the perfect economic structure of the coming New Order of the Ages.

Galloping Inflation

THE FRENCH FRANC has fallen in value; it is now about 400 to the dollar. It is well to remember that what happens on the economic front in any one of the major Western countries is fraught with extensive repercussions which will resound throughout the entire financial world, particularly so if the situation is not quickly and rightly resolved. There seems to be no move in France to check inflation because of general opposition to any drastic action that would be necessary to accomplish this.

France is losing tourist trade because many are finding it too expensive to spend more than a few days there. American tourists are going to countries where the rates are cheaper. Commenting upon the situation, the governor of the Bank of France, Wilfred Baumgartner, said:

"We are in a period of galloping inflation, with nearly three trillion francs in circulation."

But France is not the only nation troubled with inflation. Every Western nation is grappling with this problem and taking all possible stop-gap measures to try to prevent the situation from getting out of hand. Governments are between the devil and the sea, for if they move to curb inflation, the possibility of an economic recession faces them. On the other hand, if they allow inflation to continue to spiral upward, there is inevitable disaster at the end of that road.

It is fascinating to watch the trend: at first inflation just crawls; then, later on, it begins to walk; finally it starts to run; after which it mounts a horse and gallops away!

We have been observing this process of increasing speed in the inflationary trend in the United States. Up to the early thirties it was crawling. Then came a period when it began to walk as it picked up more speed. With the introduction of successive rounds of wage increases, it began to run a race as labor, in its contest with the cost of living, endeavored to see who would maintain the leading position. France is now in

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Suez Canal Crisis

By J. BERNARD NICKLIN

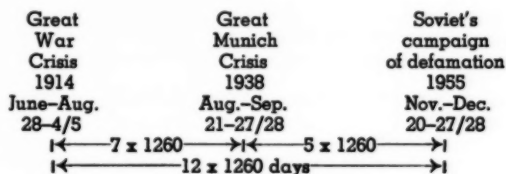
SOME YEARS AGO a Birmingham engineer, who had long been interested (though unconvinced) in articles by the writer which had appeared in *The National Message*, was studying one in which each link of a chain of seven cycles of 1260 days from the Great War Crisis of 1914 had brought some emergency or happening of import for Britain. He then wrote as follows:

"It has always seemed to me that if you should have sufficient periods, it would be possible to combine them to give almost any result. . . . It was unlikely that you could be producing such coincidences, but, in view of the immense significance of the existence of a time-schedule of this character, it was a possibility that could not be precluded. . . . But now, having the datings fixed, that you should be able to demonstrate that *all the intervening 1260-day periods* terminated with a critical short period and event, puts the subject beyond controversy.

"Mathematics have always appealed to me. But up to the present I've never been able to accept without some reserve this matter of datings and periods. The Great Pyramid, of course, simply must have been designed with superhuman knowledge. One has to admit it, even if one does not want to. And now your speciality, if I may so style it, is proven also. The continuity of it is far more convincing to an analytical mind (I hold an honors degree in engineering, so can speak thus) than the more disconnected data that has been published at other times."

What this engineer perceived was that this chain of events, 1260 days apart, like milestones, was evidence of supernatural control; or, as Daniel would say, that there is a God in Heaven overruling world affairs. And how careful the old prophet was to add that such knowledge had been *revealed* to him!

Since the above-mentioned letter was received in November 1938, this 1260-day cycle for Britain has continued to unfold. So far it has never brought war, but more than once it has brought crises which have led to war. Its seventh termination, as shown in previous articles in *DESTINY*, brought the Munich crisis; the ninth brought the end of hostilities (including V-J Day) in World War II; while the twelfth brought Bulganin's and Khrushchev's attack of insult and misrepresentation against Britain, launched during their Asian tour of November/December 1955.



In an article in *DESTINY* for April 1956 (pp. 81-84), when considering the events at the end of the twelfth cycle, we enquired:

"What really lay behind this strange procedure on the part of Russia's leaders? The constant repetition of the word 'colonialism' suggests the thought that, as the Soviet has now started what may prove to be one of the biggest campaigns of territorial expansion, *including the vital area of the Middle East*, she should begin by raising a cry against such an idea by way of detraction."

During their visit to England in April, Marshal Bulganin and Mr. Khrushchev could not have been more friendly. "Don't read into the smiles of the Kremlin more than is warranted," said Lord Ismay. Later came Moscow's denunciation of Stalin and Stalinism. Was that intended to put us still further off our guard? Then came Marshal Tito's long visit to Russia, and we wondered what the real object was of that. At the end Marshal Zhukov is reported to have said to Tito:

"We will do all we can to ensure peace in the world. But if a war is imposed on us, we shall be together shoulder to shoulder, as in the last war, to fight for the well-being of mankind."

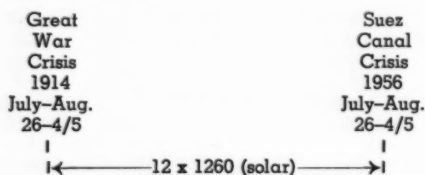
On July 12, Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser, accompanied by Egypt's Foreign Minister and twenty-seven advisers, arrived at Belgrade for informal Talks with Tito which, according to press reports, were "surrounded with an atmosphere of secrecy and importance." Coming just as Britain had completed her withdrawal from Suez (the last British troops left June 13th) this very "hush-hush" conference appeared suspicious. Then America and Britain offered generous financial assistance toward Egypt's new Aswan dam project which, instead of accepting, she complicated by such "a series of provisos, qualifications and reservations" that, on July 19-20, both offers were withdrawn. A week later, on July 26, "by way of retaliation," Egypt seized the Suez Canal. "It may well be that the refusal to produce funds for the building of the dam was not the cause but the *excuse* for the nationalization of the Canal Company," said Lord Reading in a forceful speech in the House of Lords on August 2nd. "Indeed, the speed with which the intricate legal instruments to carry out that purpose were sprung on the world is at least an indication that they were in *cold storage awaiting the appropriate moment*. If this is so, it may well be that this is a further but more flagrant step in a *deliberate policy to undermine and destroy by stages our whole position in the Middle East*."

On July 27 Britain's Note of Protest, supported by

all Parties in Parliament, and by France, was followed by Three-Power Talks between America, France and Britain; an uncompromising statement in the House of Commons by Sir Anthony Eden, in which he said, "No arrangements for the future of this great international waterway could be acceptable to her Majesty's Government which could leave it in the unfettered control of a single power"; the arrival by air in Britain of Mr. John Foster Dulles, U. S. Secretary of State; unanimous support by both Houses of Parliament for strong action on the part of the government; a note issued by Britain inviting 23 nations to London for a conference on the international control of the Canal, to commence on August 16; and the precautionary dispatch by Britain of military forces to the Mediterranean Sea—all of which point to the extreme seriousness of the crisis.

Now notice the significant fact that this 10-day crisis, July 26-August 4/5, 1956, fell exactly 12×1260 (solar) days after the ten days of crisis preceding World War I.

It was on July 26, 1914 that, as a result of Austria's defiant ultimatum to Serbia, the crisis began to "boil up"; and it was on July 26, 1956 that, as a result of Nasser's defiant announcement, matters began to "boil up" in the Suez Crisis.



As this "solar" scale may be new to some readers, we would explain that:

1260 days equal 42 prophetic months of 30 days.

($42 \times 30 = 1260$ days)

1260 (solar) days equal 42 solar months.

(or 3 years 6 months)

Hence: 12×1260 (solar) days equal exactly 42 years.

This solar scale is usually found connected with major happenings. In the above case, does July 26-August 4/5 mark the entrance upon an epoch of finality?

Our interest lies mainly in the prophetic aspect. Students long ago foresaw that at the end a great northern confederacy headed by Soviet Russia would move to destroy the Anglo-Saxon nations; and that events would converge upon the Middle East. In an article in *DESTINY*, published twelve years ago (September 1944), when Russia was our ally and few people dreamed that she would ever be otherwise, Mr. Howard B. Rand had this to say:

"Under the leadership and direction of Moscow . . . an enemy coup in Egypt, followed by a revolt of the Egyptians from British rule which will result in the closing of the Suez Canal to British shipping . . . the prophets outline the desperate situation in which Israel will find herself. . . .

"Let us restate briefly. . . . A great Communist confederacy will have been set up in Europe, with the Sovietization of all these nations under the leadership of Russia. Contributing to the seriousness of the situation for the Anglo-Saxon peoples will be the internal disruption and

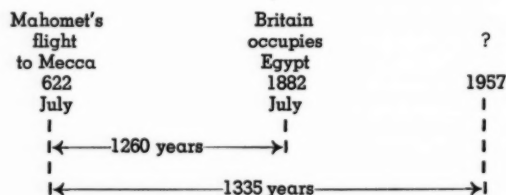
disunity through the activities of the Communists. . . . Asia will also have been confederated with Russia in the world-wide move to destroy the prestige and power of the Anglo-Saxon world."

Was that just a wild guess in the dark? Or does it suggest that Bible prophecy, and a spiritual understanding of it, may after all be a reliable guide?

As we write (August 8) there is much confusion and fear as to what the future may have in store. It is not generally realized that Russia is behind this threat to our existence as a nation. According to Ezekiel 38: 10, the time would come when an evil thought would possess the mind of "Gog" (Russia) and she would go up (to Palestine and the Middle East) "to take a spoil." Has such an evil design been her set purpose for years? And is the "spoil" she has set her heart upon the "oil" that today is the very lifeblood of the economy of Britain and the Western Powers? The tremendous stir produced in Britain upon learning that Egypt had seized the Suez Canal was the kind of reaction a person would get if suddenly confronted with a cut-throat. The man-in-the-street has not yet grasped the seriousness of the situation, but perhaps before many weeks, or months, have passed the whole nation will be aware of it.

Prophecy bids us not to despair, however. There is a bright side to the picture for the Anglo-Saxon peoples if we will take the trouble to find out what is written in God's Word concerning it and act upon the instructions given.

Dr. Grattan Guinness, in a work published in 1886, drew attention to the fact that Britain's occupation of Egypt in 1882 had fallen 1260 years after the Hegira, 622 A.D., the commencement of the Mohammedan calendar. Dr. Joseph Wild, in 1880, pointed to 1957 as the 1335th year after the same starting-point, and emphasized that 1335 is the period for *blessing* and *deliverance*:



Consider briefly some of the prophecies relating to Egypt which apply to these days.

Egypt's throne will disappear:

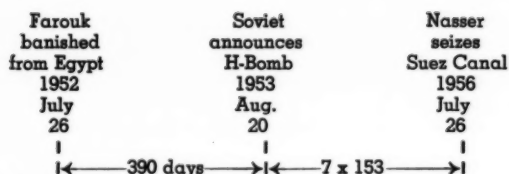
"The sceptre of Egypt shall depart away." (Zech. 10: 11).

Dr. C. I. Scofield has a note in his reference edition of the Bible concerning this chapter, which reads:

"The whole scene is of the events which group about the Jews in Palestine in the time of the northern invasion under the 'Beast' and 'Armageddon.'"

"There shall be no more a prince of the land of Egypt." (Ez. 30: 13.)

King Farouk was deposed and exiled four years to the day prior to July 26, 1956. Observe the "timing":



390—Israel's (Ephraim's) number for chastisement (Ez. 4: 5).

153—The number of the elect (John 21: 11).

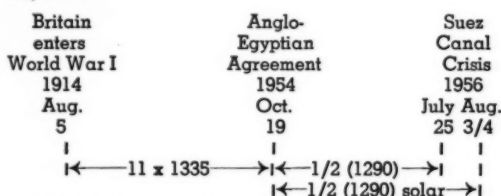
Israel would be evacuated:

"Ephraim shall be like a mighty man. . . . I will hiss for them. . . . I will bring them again also out of the land of Egypt." (Zech. 10: 7-8, 10.)

(Once more the time here is the end of the age).

"Behold, my people is led as a flock to the slaughter: I will not suffer them now to dwell in the land of Egypt: But I will bring them with a mighty hand and a stretched out arm, and smite Egypt with plagues as before. . . ." (II Esdras 15: 10-11.)

The agreement to evacuate Egypt was signed October 19, 1954:



Britain's withdrawal from Egypt was effected quietly and without haste; and Isaiah, foretelling a latter-day exodus, says:

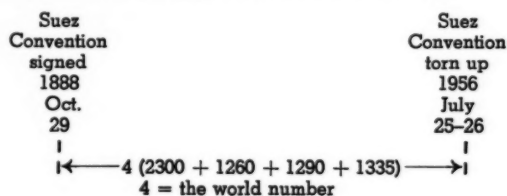
"Ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight." (Isa. 52: 12.)

Egypt would prove untrustworthy:

"All the inhabitants of Egypt shall know that I am the Lord, because they have been a *staff of reed* to the house of Israel. When they took hold of thee by thy hand, thou didst break, and rend all their shoulder: and when they leaned upon thee, thou brakest, and madest all their loins to be at a stand." (Ez. 29: 6-7.)

The concession of the Suez Canal Company (under the Convention signed October 29, 1888) was to run on until November 17, 1968. Egypt has torn this up as "a scrap of paper"; nor has she honored her agreements with Britain; and particularly the one of October 19, 1954. We "leaned upon her" (trusted her) and she has let us down, and caused all our "loins to be at a stand."

The interval between the signing of the Suez Convention and the seizure of the Suez Canal by Nasser is a very remarkable one. It seems to point to an epoch ahead of *world* cleansing, tribulation and desolation, which is to end, nevertheless, in blessing:



2300 = cleansing (Daniel 8: 14)
1260 = tribulation (Daniel 12: 7)
1290 = desolation (Daniel 12: 11)
1335 = blessing (Daniel 12: 12)

Egypt would be given over to a despotic ruler:

"I will sell the land into the hand of the wicked." (Ez. 30: 12.)

"And the Egyptians will I give over into the hand of a cruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them." (Isa. 19: 4.)

"He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape. But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt." (Dan. 11: 42-43.)

Under Nasser, it would seem, Egypt is in the process of being handed over to Soviet Russia. Time will show.

Nasser claims to control the entire Nile Valley:

He has dreams of ruling an empire that will embrace Libya, the Sudan, Palestine, Northern Nigeria and Equatorial Africa (see map in *Daily Telegraph*, Aug. 1, 1956). This pseudo-pharaoh would say:

"My river is mine own, and I have made it for myself." (Ez. 29: 3.)

The Lord has this to say:

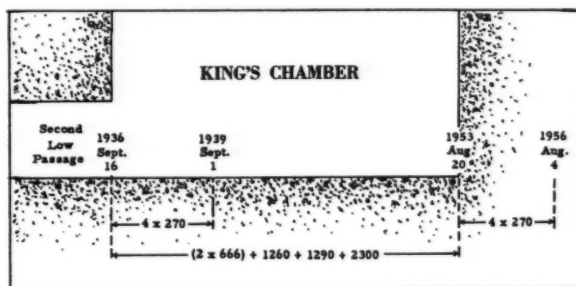
"The land of Egypt shall be desolate and waste; and they shall know that I am the Lord: because he hath said, The river is mine, and I have made it." (Ez. 29: 9.)

Both Aswan and Suez are mentioned under their ancient names, Syene and Migdol respectively, in these prophecies as trouble spots.

"Behold, therefore I am against thee, and against thy rivers, and I will make the land of Egypt utterly waste and desolate, from the tower of Syene [Margin: *Migdol to Syene*]." (Ez. 29: 10.)

The Speaker's Commentary shows that the Hebrew word, here rendered "tower" in the Authorized Version, is *Migdol*, the name of a town about two miles from Suez. The modern Aswan lies a little to the northeast of ancient *Syene*.

The following time-connections appear to underscore the great significance of the present Suez Crisis, and in each case it will be observed that August 4th, 1956 is particularly marked. Was a button then pressed that in due course will set dire events in motion? Glance at the relation of this date with that on which Hitler "pressed the button" which started World War II, September 1, 1939. Notice also how all this is interlocked with the Great Pyramid!



The "timing" here is most suggestive: 270 (9 times 30 prophetic months)—the period of *pregnancy*—multiplied by 4, the world number, signifies a world period of pregnancy, ending in *travail*. In the case of the 4 x 270 days ending September 1, 1939, world travail most certainly then began. Each of the day-periods comprising the width of the King's Chamber were suitably marked; as, for example, the 2 x 666 days from September 16, 1936 ending May 10, 1940, the day Hitler launched his Blitzkrieg.

The present Suez Crisis will prove to be the curtain-raiser to events, sooner or later, of far-reaching importance, which explains perhaps why the day terminations are so impressive.* Events during the next month or six weeks will enable us to check our bearings still further. The London Conference on the international control of the Suez Canal, planned to commence August 16, 1956, will fall 6 x 2300 days after hostilities ended in World War I:

Hostilities and World War I	London Conference Suez Canal
1918	1956
Nov. 4-11	Aug. 16-23
← 6 x 2300 days →	

In passing, another remarkable connection is observed:

The Eruption of Krakatoa, August 26-27, 1883:

This probably was the most violent terrestrial disturbance experienced for many centuries, causing the desolation of Java and neighboring islands. Lava and ashes thrown up darkened the air for about 50 square

* We are greatly indebted to Mr. Brian H. Cannon for much help in the chronology in this article, and to Miss Gladys Smith for assistance in interpreting the prophecies relating to Egypt.

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the runaway stage of her inflation and here in the United States we are approaching the day when we can also expect a spurt in speed as the spiraling cost of living and corresponding lowered value of the dollar form a vicious circle from which there is no easy escape.

While we have not yet reached the galloping stage of the inflationary cycle, we are most certainly moving in the direction that will make it inevitable unless forthright remedial action is taken to curb present economic trends. But who are the politicians and where is the political party that will willingly take the necessary steps knowing how unpopular such action would be? The general attitude seems to be, "Let us eat, drink and be merry—after us the deluge!"

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miles; mountains split up and some disappeared; the eruption was preceded by great rumbling noises and followed by an immense tidal wave causing great destruction.

Was this a "sign" for the coming "Day of the Lord"? Notice the position it occupies chronologically:

Krakatoa Eruption 1883 Aug. 26-27	Suez Crisis 1956 Aug. 3-4
← 40 x 666 days →	
And $40 \times 666 = 26,640$ days, which can be expressed also thus:	
20×1290 (desolation) = 25,800	
840 (warning) = 840	
26,640 days	

Seventy Weeks from August 4-11, 1956, ending December 7-14, 1957:

As readers of DESTINY are fully aware, the 40-year "generation" from Jerusalem's liberation, December 9-11, 1917, ending December 9-11, 1957, is one of especial prominence in view of Christ's Olivet prophecy:

Jerusalem liberated 1917 Dec. 7-14	SEVENTY WEEKS	
	1956 Aug. 4-11	1957 Dec. 7-14
	←490 days→	
←40 years→		
(a "generation")		

To find the week referred to above to be just 490 days (7 x 70) prior to this termination, in view of Daniel 9: 24-27, is a fact we dare not leave unrecorded. It may be just a coincidence; on the other hand, it may not.

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adverse balance. Indeed, one would have thought that most people would consider such a policy the best hope of peace. Far from that, however, there is persistent talk of changing the role of NATO; in other words, reduce its present inadequate military capacity still further—to which deplorable suggestion is added the plea that all our national forces should be still further reduced. This would be the road to world war—not to peace. This observer is gravely concerned. If we intend to close our eyes to Russia's moves in the Middle East; to ignore her immense military forces; to believe that nuclear weapons have outlawed war (a view not held in Russia); and to reduce our already skeleton forces to near zero, then we must be totally irresponsible and we shall get hurt and badly hurt.

NATO is not alone in offering a downright contradiction to promote popular and, alas, ministerial wishful thinking. Dr. Adenauer, who Eden claims as his favorite NATO Prime Minister, said during July: "We are in one of the most tense phases of the cold war. We are dealing with a well-conceived strategical plan which leaves no room for complacency."

As to the plan, Dr. Adenauer said that is was the encirclement of Europe via the Middle East. Dr. Adenauer's government has better information about Soviet official planning than any other in the world. Yet our American and British politicians tell us that the cold war is well nigh over. If they really believed this (which they do not) there would be serious cause to doubt their sanity—literally and not in a merely political sense.

Events in the Middle East and Southeast Asia make a pattern very different from the wishful hopes of our politicians. The sad thing is that, because of our wishful politics, we are not exploiting the weaknesses of Russia. We are actually building her up by every kind of prestige move in diplomacy and by our own folly in reducing our meager defense forces. Instead of encouraging revolt in the satellite countries, we deny having any intention of helping them, and we pour honor upon the criminals against whom the unhappy masses in Poland and elsewhere are desperately trying to revolt.

One trembles at the judgment which may one day fall upon us if we do not change our whole outlook. How can we justify pouring honor and recognition upon a group of murderers in Moscow from whom millions of our former allies in Poland are striving to win freedom? Have we no sense of morality left at all? Do we care nothing for the tortures of the Baltic States, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Bulgaria, Romania and Eastern Germany? Can anyone believe that they are happy, after two major revolts? Can any case be made for the present dictatorships, when desperate workers risk their lives to revolt and prefer even abortive revolt to continued slavery without protest? Where is the honor of Britain? Where is the strength of America? Where are the ideals of Western Europe—once called Christendom? We feast and frolic with the murderers; their victims we pass by on the other side.

In addition to the published documents at the end of Tito's visit to Moscow there were two secret protocols, although the Soviet government spokesman stated that there had been no secret agreements. The first of the secret protocols deals with Germany. Tito promised to

enter into diplomatic relationships with East Germany as soon as Ulbricht has gone.

The second protocol deals with economic matters. The Yugoslav government expects that American aid to Yugoslavia will be reduced. Russia has promised, in the event of such a reduction, to take over up to 80 per cent of the load which America has been carrying in direct grants or loans. Russia has also promised that military aid will be given to whatever extent American aid is withdrawn. These two protocols seem to imply more far-reaching policy decisions between Tito and Moscow than any which have been published.

An important development which has already taken place is an agreement made during June between the Yugoslav and Soviet Intelligence Services. This provides for joint Intelligence operations throughout the western hemisphere. There is to be full exchange of all Intelligence and co-ordination of Intelligence activities. This is disturbing because Washington treats Yugoslavia as a friendly ally and Yugoslav observers have access to a great many military installations and industrial establishments from which Soviet representatives are barred. The new arrangement will give Communist Intelligence in the United States a new lease of life. Exchanges of scientists between Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia have been agreed to and there is reason to believe that the agreement extends to the field of atomic weapons. A Yugoslav observer was present at recent nuclear tests in Siberia. It is reported that Tito and the Russian authorities came to an agreement whereby Russia would deliver atomic artillery to the Yugoslav Army and that Yugoslav army personnel will go to Russia in the winter for training. All these facts should be carefully noted and considered, particularly in the United States.

We must look very carefully indeed at the extraordinary personal conduct of Khrushchev. (That of Marshal Bulganin, if somewhat less spectacular, also leaves much to be desired.) This comment, however, is about Khrushchev. This man—a monumental drunkard—takes the greatest sadistic pleasure in smiling at us when it pleases him and then hurling almost incredible insults, particularly when drunk—which is very frequent. He is, of course, mad—though not without intelligence. Russia has often been ruled by very tough men and once by a very tough woman. Russians are used to wild orgies, madmen and extreme dictatorships.

There is no precise information yet upon which this observer would care to rely but it is being said that Khrushchev was partly forced to make his attack on Stalin by certain Army leaders who wanted to get Khrushchev into difficulties and that those men are quite ready to exploit his personal behavior in order to establish a military dictatorship. If forced to fight for his position, what will he do? There are unconfirmed indications that he may have to do something fairly soon.

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Shaking His Hand Over Egypt

By HOWARD B. RAND

RECENTLY IN a daily paper an editorial writer expressed amazement that the present generation could have produced such personalities as Mussolini, Hitler and Stalin who, while they lived, were deified by their own people and execrated by the same people as soon as they died, whether by murder or natural causes. Then, pointing to Egypt, he comments:

"Now we witness the rise of a similar figure in Nasser, a monstrous personality, yet one whom the Egyptians are following even if he leads their country to the grave of its long-hoped-for independence."

If today commentators and editorial writers understood what is meant by "the generation" to which Jesus referred in His Olivet discourse with His disciples, they would not be startled by developing events and the rise to power of evil personalities in our time. Conclusive evidence points to the fact that this is the generation of which Jesus was speaking when He foretold that these things would come to pass.

Egyptian Independence

The first major step in the long-sought independence by Egypt came nineteen years ago when, on July 29, 1937, Farouk I was acclaimed king in Cairo. Just one lunar cycle of nineteen years later, to the very day, the representatives of the three powers—great Britain, France and the United States—met in London (on July 29, 1956) to see what could be done to curb Egyptian aggression. A few days prior to this Egypt's present leader, Gamal Abdel Nasser, had seized the Suez Canal in a surprise move to nationalize this famous waterway. In precipitating this grave international crisis, Egypt is initiating the process of fulfillment of the judgment the proph-

ets declared would overtake her in these last days. In an article in *DESTINY* for September 1937, titled "The Importance of the New Egyptian Independence," it was stated:

"It was Isaiah who forewarned that trouble would descend upon Egypt because her leaders would lack wisdom and mislead the people, and that they would make foolish demands in the light of their claim to descent from the mighty Pharaohs. . . . The prophet specifies that at the time of this occurrence there would be an altar which would become a witness unto the Lord of Hosts in the midst of the land of Egypt (Isaiah 19: 19-20). Today there are millions of men and women who are familiar with the revelation and message of the Great Pyramid, for the Great Pyramid is the predicted witness in the midst of that land. And in conformity with the time, as specified by the prophet, Egypt is granted her independence."

Referring specifically to the new Egyptian national status at that time, it was further stated in the above-mentioned article:

"It is not merely accidental that, simultaneous with front page news concerning Palestine, we read of Egypt actually moving toward complete independence. . . . Egypt is linked with the things of the world and is prophetically associated with forces that will move for the purpose of destroying peace! . . . The independence of Egypt was requisite as she moves toward the place she is to occupy in modern activities. This independence is now a fact, and Egypt is now nationally accountable for her decisions and responsible for her acts."

Soviet Domination

The refusal of the United States to grant Egypt a loan for the purpose of constructing the Aswan dam served to trigger the action taken by Nasser in his seizure of the Suez Canal. But back of this bold move is the hand of Moscow, for the men in the Kremlin are doing everything in

their power to stir up the troubled waters in the land of the people of the Nile and cause as much difficulty for the West as possible. This absolutely confirms the statement, made nineteen years ago, that Egypt "is prophetically associated with forces that will move for the purpose of destroying peace!"

The Prophet Daniel pointed out that the land of Egypt would come under the detrimental influence of a great northern power. In his eleventh chapter, he has given the prophetic order of climactic end-time events and he observes with abrupt succinctness:

"And the land of Egypt shall not escape." (Dan. 11: 42.)

Then, referring to the northern power interfering in Egyptian affairs, he goes on to state:

"But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt." (Dan. 11: 43.)

Again quoting from the article published in *DESTINY* in 1937:

"Isaiah tells of a cruel lord who would reign over them [the Egyptians]. This was evidently fulfilled in the reign of Mohammed Ali. Then follows, 'And a fierce [or strong] king shall rule over them.' This last just precedes the statement of the turning of the river far away. It no doubt refers to the one whom Daniel declares will come into the land. That event is still future."

The event was future nineteen years ago when the statement was originally published, but it is now in the process of becoming a fact of history as Soviet Russia moves to arm and support Egypt in her opposition to the West. Again, as pointed out in the same article:

"The life of Egypt is the Nile. It was Herodotus who said, 'Egypt is the gift of the Nile.' How true that is, for the Nile is responsible for the fertilization

of that land which would otherwise be only a barren desert. The very life, occupations and habits of the people are largely determined by the characteristics of this river. And we do not have to guess as to the future events which will affect this life stream of Egypt. The prophecies are clear! Isaiah declares, 'The waters shall fail from the sea, and the river shall be wasted and dried up' (Isa. 19: 5). . . . The prophet says, 'They shall turn the rivers far away,' and then continues with a description of the drying up of all the vegetation along the rivers and brooks, while the fishermen mourn because their trade is gone. Egypt is dead, for without the Nile she becomes barren and desolate."

Trembling in Egypt

Egypt has now been brought to the brink of disaster as the result of the action of the present rulers in this land of the Pharaohs. No wonder Isaiah exclaims:

"The princes of Zoan [Egypt] are become fools, the princes of Noph are deceived; they have also seduced Egypt, even they that are the stay of the tribes thereof. The Lord hath mingled a perverse spirit in the midst thereof: and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken man staggereth in his vomit. Neither shall there be any work for Egypt, which the head or tail, branch or rush, may do. In that day shall Egypt be like unto women: and it shall be afraid and fear because of the shaking of the hand of the Lord of hosts, which he shaketh over it." (Isa. 19: 13-16.)

Behind the duplicity of the present rulers of the Egyptians is the spirit of the Kremlin seducing them with false promises and strengthening their will to make evil decisions by supplying them with the munitions of war. One of the major reasons for the rush on the part of Egypt to arm, prior to the seizure of the Suez Canal, was their fear of the Zionists who occupy the land of Palestine. Isaiah foresaw this very situation when he prophesied:

"The land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention thereof shall be afraid in himself, because of the counsel of the Lord of hosts, which he hath determined against it." (Isa. 19: 17.)

An Unnamed People

It is worthy of notice that the prophet does not name the people

in "the land of Judah" at this time but merely indicates it to be the source of terror for Egypt. The reason for this is quite clear, as pointed out in *Documentary Studies*,* Vol. III (page 78), where it is shown that those who now occupy Palestine, using the term "Israeli," are described by Ezekiel as "the riff-raff of the world" (as translated by Dr. James Moffatt). Thus they are designated as a nondescript people and, therefore, Isaiah does not refer to them by name but instead indicates the land they occupy as the place from whence will issue the cause of the trembling in Egypt.

Egypt's Work Futile

The stage is being carefully set to bring to pass the very conditions which will fulfill the Divine purpose regarding Egypt, the "land of Judah" and the heathen hordes of the Soviets, for the time of judgment has come. Egypt, always falling short of the high place she might have occupied in the Divine planning, has maneuvered herself into the position of precipitating the crisis in the Middle East which will be her utter undoing. The prophetic forecast of this is clearly expressed in the Smith and Goodspeed translation of Isaiah 19: 14-15:

"The Lord has mingled within them a spirit of dizziness; and they have made Egypt reel in all her work, as a drunkard reels in his vomit; And Egypt will have no work which head or tail can accomplish, palm-branch or reed."

The spirit of dizziness is very much in evidence in Egyptian affairs under President Nasser as they set themselves in battle array against the Western powers, their would-be friends, choosing rather to place their trust in the treacherous leaders in the Kremlin, their predicted oppressors. If Egypt is to have "no work which head or tail can accomplish," then their plan to construct the Aswan dam was doomed from the start. Thus, the refusal of the United States and Britain to finance this work is in conformity with this pronounced judgment. Instead of a dam to increase the fertility of the land, the very waters of the Nile, which are the strength of Egypt, are

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to be turned far away according to Isaiah (Isa. 19: 6) so that Egypt will become a desolation as the result of the shaking of the hand of the Lord over this land. Earlier in his writings the prophet made reference to this:

"The Lord shall utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian sea [the Suez Canal]; and with his mighty wind [perhaps in connection with an atomic blast] shall he shake his hand over the river [the Nile], and shall smite it in the seven streams [the subdivisions of the river as it enters the Mediterranean Sea through the Nile Delta], and make men go over dryshod [the river will be completely dried up]." (Isa. 11: 15.)

Reason for Judgment

The Prophet Ezekiel throws further light upon the judgment that is about to descend upon Egypt. He explains how the Nile is to be affected; the fish in the river are to be thrown into the desert and the people themselves are to lie unburied in the fields:

"And I will leave thee thrown into the wilderness, thee and all the fish of thy rivers: thou shalt fall upon the open fields; thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: I have given thee for meat to the beasts of the field and to the fowls of the heaven." (Ez. 29: 5.)

Then the reason is given why the Lord is allowing all these calamities to overtake the land of Egypt and its people:

"And all the inhabitants of Egypt shall know that I am the Lord, because they have been a staff of reed to the house of Israel. When they took hold of thee by thy hand, thou didst break, and rend all their shoulder: and when they leaned upon thee, thou brakest, and madest all their loins to be at a stand." (Ez. 29: 6-7.)

Moffatt translates this:

"So shall all dwellers in Egypt learn that I am the Eternal. Since you have been a poor staff of reeds to Israel, breaking when they seized you, tearing all their hand, breaking when they leant on you, shaking them to pieces."

The effect of Egyptian perfidy upon the British Empire could not be more pointedly stated for, due to Nasser's tactics, Soviet Russia is moving into a commanding position in the Middle East, with her objective to destroy the power, influence and might of the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic

peoples apparently much nearer attainment than ever before. Because the Egyptians feel secure in their land, with the Nile River supplying their economic needs, the Lord reminds them that, as a result of their treacherous dealings with the House of Israel (Great Britain in particular). He will move against their river:

"Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I will bring a sword upon thee, and cut off man and beast out of thee. And the land of Egypt shall be desolate and waste; and they shall know that I am the Lord: because he hath said, The river is mine, and I have made it. Behold, therefore I am against thee, and against thy rivers, and I will make the land of Egypt utterly waste and desolate." (Ez. 29: 8-10.)

Moffatt translates this:

"Therefore the Lord the Eternal proclaims, I will bring a sword upon you, destroying man and beast within you, till the land of Egypt lies desolate and waste. It is to teach Egypt that I am the Eternal, since he thought the Nile was his own, his own making! Therefore am I against you and your Nile; I will turn the land of Egypt into an utter waste of desolation."

Life-giving River

The Lord God reminds the Egyptians that the River Nile, which they boastfully claim as their own, as though they were master as well as beneficiary of its life-sustaining power, actually belongs to Him—a fact He promises to demonstrate in the coming judgment that will directly involve the Nile and bring desolation upon their land. This predicted waste condition is to exist for a whole

generation—forty years according to Ezekiel's prophecy—before Egypt will be restored to fertility and prosperity once more. This judgment upon the land of Egypt will therefore extend to the close of the twentieth century, a punishment specifically meted out because of Egyptian treachery in dealing with the House of Israel.

Instruments in God's Hands

The caldron of world turmoil is beginning to bubble ominously, while the oil of the Middle East is being poured upon the flames, increasing the heat manifold and making inevitable the coming events of the day of Divine vengeance. Egypt is an instrument in God's hands and He is using her treacherous dealings with His people to bring the Middle Eastern crisis to a head. This will cause Soviet Russia and her satellites—the confederacy of Gog—to be galvanized into action in fulfillment of Ezekiel's prophecy:

"I will bring thee forth, and all thine army. . . . Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee." (Ez. 38: 4 & 9.)

The Lord declares He will command and He will compel the Russian hordes to march southward in conformity with His schedule and not according to their own timing.

An Important Signal

The whole world outlook at this moment appears to be chaotic only to the unthinking multitudes who are placing their emphasis upon is-

ues of very narrow political or materialistic compass. On the other hand, those who are numbered among the watchers will understand, for Isaiah prophetically foretold that the passing hours of the Night of the Ages would be identified for those who earnestly seek information:

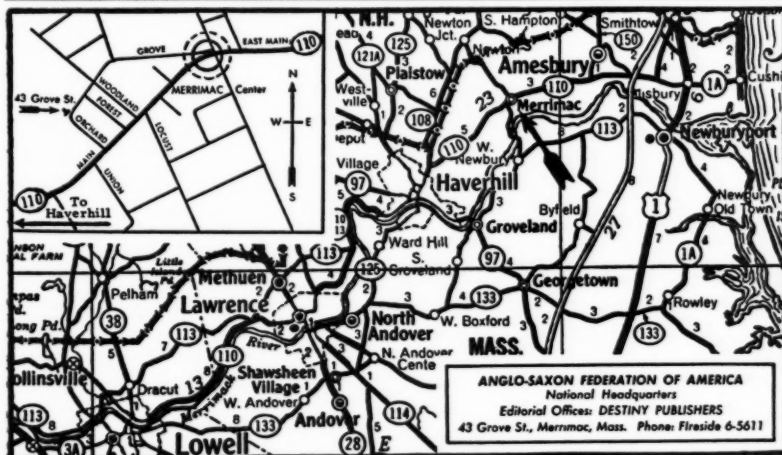
"Watchman, what hour of the night is it? Watchman, what hour of the night is it?"

And the watchman replies:

"Morning comes, but also night; If you wish to know more, come again." (Isa. 21: 11-12, *Smith & Goodspeed Trans.*)

The repetition of the call to the watchman emphasizes the concern of those who inquire what hour of the night it is. The response by the watchman clearly indicates a readiness to give the needed information, but he does not do so upon the first inquiry. This is because the watchman must of necessity wait until the hour strikes before he can proclaim its significance to all and reveal its meaning to the wise.

We are now approaching the end of the third hour of the Third Watch of the Night and the Fourth Watch is soon to begin. At this point the Egyptian move furnishes a most important signal that momentous days lie just ahead. The alarm is being sounded by the watchmen who, marking well the importance of transpiring events, testify to their meaning. Those who are wise will heed the warning and comply with Jesus' admonition as set forth in Mark 13: 37: "And what I say unto you I say unto all, WATCH!"



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SUDDEN TRAVAIL

By WILLIAM O. LAY, JR.

IN THE PREFATORY paragraphs of "The Quickening Tide," last month's article, it was pointed out that the British evacuation of the Suez Canal Zone was a crucial event which opened wide the floodgates for wildfiring developments of incalculable potentialities. For forty days thereafter (a significant time-period in itself) the world situation lumbered along without marked change. A few more stones clattered down from the crumbling Western strategic position when Britain yielded her bases in Ceylon. Nehru, Tito and Nasser met to shape "neutralist" bloc policy. Then, abruptly, President Nasser expropriated the Suez Canal Company, and overnight the West was plunged into a major crisis.

For America and Britain it was the beginning of the end. Ever since World War II their policy had been one of retreat and compromise, parley and appeasement. They settled for a stalemate in Korea, yielded much of Indo-China. At Geneva they chummed with the Kremlin gangsters in the deluded hope that thereby the cause of peace could be advanced. Now suddenly they were at the end of the line. One more backward step would carry them over the precipice, shatter their waning prestige and send wavering nations flooding into the Communist camp.

Apart from the dramatic Nasser move, news headlines during July told the familiar story of Western inefficacy against the tireless aggressiveness of the Communist bloc. But always the charted patterns show all lines of the global tribulation steadily converging toward the one supreme crisis.

With NATO bases in Iceland and Morocco facing a clouded future, officials of the North Atlantic Organization on July 2 conferred in Lisbon

on plans to make Portugal and its mid-Atlantic islands a "second Iceland" if the United States were forced to abandon its Keflavik base. This was 1040 days solar (fruit) after Russia's first H-bomb test on August 12, 1953 (Chart XXVII). Significant too is the double displacement interval (2×286 days solar) extending forward from July 2 to February 2, 1958. This terminal will be 1260 days (tribulation) after August 22, 1954 when collapse of the Brussels parley signaled the demise of the EDC project.

Great Britain, on July 6, agreed to give up her air and naval bases on Ceylon. Meanwhile, in Paris the NATO military command warned that Russia and her European satellites had six million men under arms "in a high state of preparedness" and had "about tripled" their major airfields in Eastern Europe.

Britain yielded her Ceylonese bases 1600 days solar (judgment) after the January 26, 1952 "Black Saturday" anti-foreign riots in Egypt and 7×120 days solar (warning perfected) after Premier Nasser became military governor of Egypt on March 7, 1954. In addition, July 6 fell 2×286 days solar (displacement) after December 4, 1954 when Red China vowed to "liberate" Formosa (Chart XXVIII).

Yet another displacement interval strikingly exemplifies the precision of Divine timing. Note from the chart that Britain gave up her bases in Ceylon exactly 2×286 days solar before February 6, 1958, which will be 1290 days (desolation) after she agreed to evacuate Suez!

Russia on July 7 suggested in a *Pravda* editorial that France grant full independence to Algeria. On the same day it was disclosed that Premier Bulganin and party chief Khrushchev would visit Cambodia. This came as Prince Norodom Sihanouk, in a communique issued after

six days of Kremlin talks, praised Russia for "offering technical and economic assistance without any mercenary conditions." Meanwhile, in Bonn dissension over West German rearmament was highlighted by passage of an incomplete, bitterly-fought conscription bill by the Bundestag.

These developments came 1260 days lunar (tribulation) after February 11, 1953 when Russia severed diplomatic relations with the Israelis and 390 days (Israel's chastisement) after June 13, 1955 when Russia agreed to attend the Geneva "Summit" conference. Significant too is the interval of 666 days extending from July 7 to May 4, 1958. This terminal will be 11×1290 days after the Versailles Treaty was signed on June 28, 1919. Eleven is the number of disorder or disintegration, while 1290 signifies desolation. The 666 factor, numerical symbol of the human world order, connotes man's imperfection, rebellion and apostasy. It also stamps activities of the "beast" powers who are challenging God's rule on the earth (Chart XXIX).

Troubles continued to mount for the hard-pressed West. London sources disclosed on July 9 that Turkey had threatened to quit NATO if Britain permitted the union of Cyprus with Greece. Meanwhile, the Israelis, in the wake of new Holy Land violence, demanded an emergency meeting of the Mixed Armistice Commission.

Turkey's threat to quit NATO came 286 days (displacement) after September 27, 1955 when Egypt accepted arms from the Communist bloc. This date, in turn, fell 4×390 days (Israel's chastisement) after Iran nationalized her oilfields on June 20, 1951 (lower half of Chart XXVII).

General Nathan F. Twining, reporting to the Senate Armed Services Committee on his trip to Russia, declared that steady Soviet progress raised the possibility that they might achieve scientific breakthrough and consequently technological surprise in new weapons. This was on July 10, exactly 1040 days solar (fruit) after the August 20, 1953 King's Chamber terminal when Russia announced her first H-bomb test. And a doubled displacement interval (2

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x 286 days) separates July 10 from February 2, 1958, which will be 1260 days after the Brussels Conference collapsed (Chart XXVII).

Russia and East Germany, on July 17, announced new economic links. The Soviets promised to halve occupation costs, build an atomic power station in East Germany and increase trade shipments and credits to aid the East German economy. The date fell 6 x 666 days after Russia entered the Far Eastern war on August 8, 1945 and 1600 plus 880 days after Russia recognized the Chinese Communist regime on October 2, 1949. The 1600 factor connotes judgment, while 880 is the number of Divine intermediation.

Noteworthy too is the lunar interval of 666 days separating the Soviet-East German declaration from May 4, 1958, which will be 11 x 1290 days after the Versailles Treaty was signed (Chart XXIX).

Tightening of bonds between Egypt and Yugoslavia was announced by Presidents Tito and Nasser on July 18. The pair then opened a "neutralist" conference with Prime Minister Nehru of India. On the same day Russia and the Israelis concluded an agreement increasing shipments of Soviet oil to the Jewish state. This Kremlin move, designed to allay Israeli suspicions that Russia was entirely pro-Arab, gave rise to consternation and anxiety in the

Arab bloc. Its net effect was to fan the smouldering Middle Eastern tensions a bit closer to the explosion point.

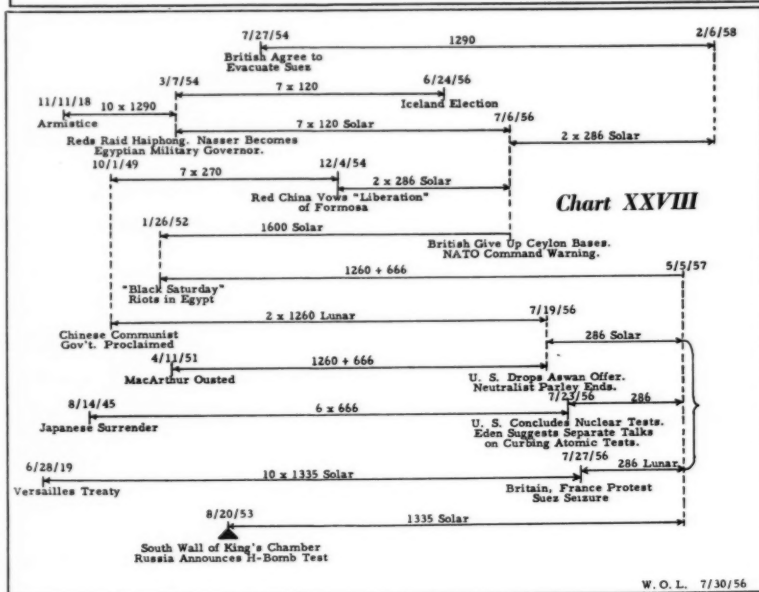
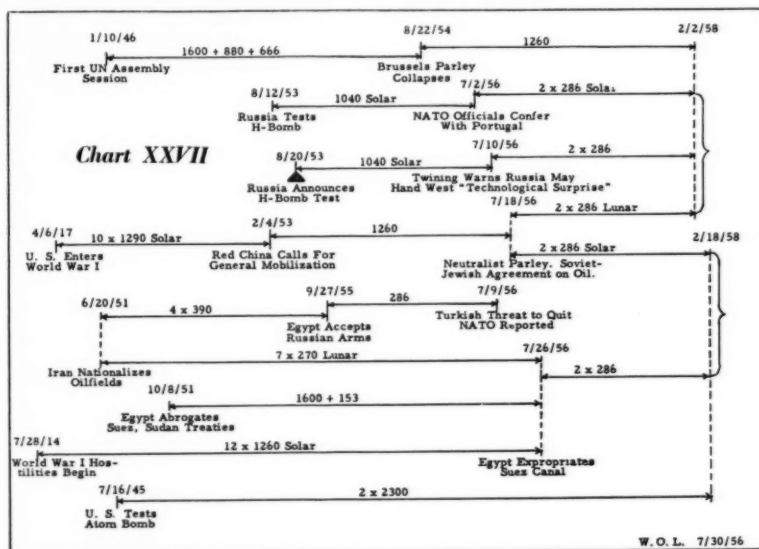
The persistent time-measures of tribulation and displacement again appear to mark these July 18 events. They fell 1260 days after February 4, 1953 when Red China ordered general mobilization. In addition, July 18 was 2 x 286 days lunar before February 2, 1958 and 2 x 286 days solar before February 18, 1958. The latter terminal will be 2 x 2300 days (cleansing of the sanctuary) after July 16, 1945 when the first American A-bomb was tested (Chart XXVII).

In a move fated to have swift and ugly repercussions, the United States on July 19 withdrew its offer to help Egypt build the Aswan dam. On the same day the "Neutralist Big Three"—Egypt, Yugoslavia and India—concluded their conference at Brioni. Tribulation is again the predominant motif. July 19 fell 2 x 1260 days lunar after the Chinese Communist government was proclaimed on October 1, 1949 and also 1260 plus 666 days after President Truman ousted General MacArthur as Far Eastern Commander on April 11, 1951 (Chart XXVIII).

Significantly, a solar displacement interval extending forward from the U. S. decision to drop the Aswan offer terminates on May 5, 1957, which will be precisely 1260 plus 666 days after the January 26, 1952 "Black Saturday" riots in Egypt. In addition to this, the May 1957 terminal will be 1335 days solar after the south wall of the Great Pyramid's King's Chamber was reached on August 20, 1953. The 1335 factor, found in the twelfth chapter of Daniel, is a number of blessing upon Israel, but conversely of judgment upon those seeking to block the advance of God's Stone Kingdom.

Chancellor Adenauer won his battle for West German conscription on July 20 when the Bundesrat passed the draft bill by a four-vote margin. This was 2 x 1260 days lunar after Russia recognized the Chinese Communist government and 666 days lunar after the European defense agreements were signed on October 3, 1954 (bottom of Chart XXIX).

The United States on July 23 announced the end of the 1956 atomic



tests in the Pacific. Meanwhile, in London Prime Minister Eden told Parliament that his government was prepared to work out a world-wide plan for control of nuclear weapons tests outside the question of general disarmament. The date fell 6 x 666 days after World War II closed on August 14, 1945. And exactly 286 days separate July 23 from May 5, 1957, which will be 1335 days solar after Russia announced her first H-bomb test (Chart XXVIII).

Arab-Israeli tension again flared to an ominous pitch on July 25 when clashes erupted along three common frontiers. This was 1260 days after Russia severed diplomatic relations with the Israelis on February 11, 1953 and 1260 plus 2 x 286 days after the assassination of Jordan's King Abdullah on July 20, 1951 (Chart XXIX).

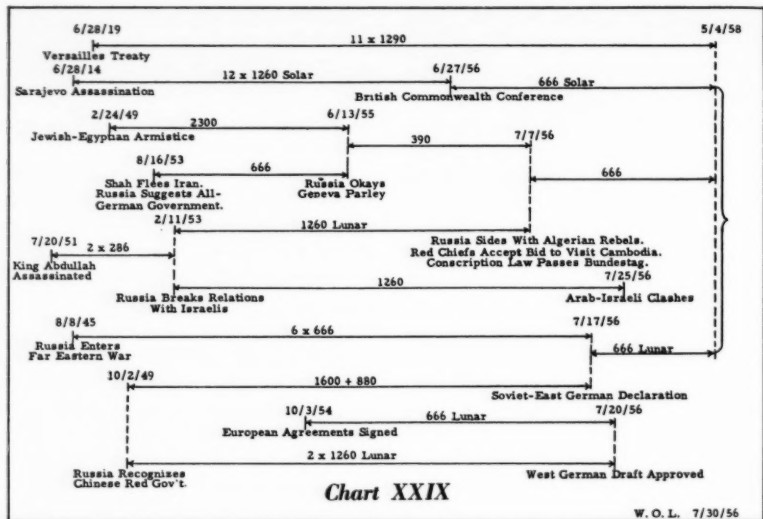
Without warning on July 26 President Nasser announced that Egypt was seizing the Suez Canal in order to use the funds for construction of the Aswan dam. In London, Prime Minister Eden immediately called in American and French representatives for emergency talks.

The Egyptian move touching off this ominous international crisis came exactly 12 x 1260 days solar after the outbreak of World War I hostilities on July 28, 1914. In addition, the Nasser seizure fell 7 x 270 days lunar (birth travail perfected) after June 20, 1951 when Iran nationalized her oilfields and also 1600 plus 153 days after Egypt abrogated her Suez and Sudan treaties with Great Britain on October 8, 1951. As explained in the article, "Through Judgment to Restoration" (DESTINY for September 1951), the 1600 judgment factor, in combination with the number of the Elect (153), particularly relates to phases of judgment upon "Israel, mine elect" and is the chronological equivalent of a familiar verse from Isaiah's first chapter:

"And I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely purge away thy dross." (Isa. 1: 25.)

To all who watch, the swiftly-accelerating Middle Eastern crisis signals the climax of the judgment process designed to force errant Israel into compliance with the Divine way.

Noteworthy too is the fact that Egypt expropriated the Suez Canal



2 x 286 days before February 18, 1958, which will be 2 x 2300 days (cleansing) after the first American A-bomb test (Chart XXVII).

France and Great Britain on July 27 protested to Egypt over the Suez seizure, but Egypt defiantly rejected the notes. Meanwhile, urgent consultations among the Western Big Three continued. The date was precisely 10 x 1335 days solar after the Versailles Treaty was signed on June 28, 1919. Since ten is the number of numerical perfection, this time-period stresses that the judgment events which will bring blessing to some, woe upon others, are now entering their culminating phase.

July 27 also fell 286 days lunar

before May 5, 1957. Note particularly that America's withdrawal of aid for the Aswan dam, which triggered the subsequent Nasser move, came on the solar terminal of this 286 displacement cycle extending to the 1957 date (Chart XXVIII).

This dual significance of judgment—blessing and retribution—is a theme which recurs constantly in the pages of Holy Writ. And it has both national and individual aspects. Just as there are sheep and goat nations, one group destined for blessing and another for destruction, so there are individuals who qualify for life in the Kingdom and others who do not:

"But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts." (Mal. 4: 2-3.)

With events clearly heralding the supreme climax, redoubled vigilance is the watchword for those who are alert and expectant. For them there is no night, no uncertainty. The pages of Biblical prophecy, illuminating these troublous but stirring times, set forth in graphic detail the *what, where and why* of the cataclysmic developments now shaping up on the global stage. Intervening with might and majesty, the Everlasting Creator is about to rectify human blundering and set His world into conformity with the perfection of its original design.

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Credendum

AS YOU READ DESTINY it will be helpful to bear in mind as a fundamental tenet that it identifies the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic and kindred peoples as the House of Israel in the world today. The key to understanding the national aspect of the Bible lies in the acceptance of this basic truth. The ten-tribed Kingdom of Israel, or House of Israel, is distinct and separate from Jewry. In the Scriptures the terms "Israel," "Judah" and "Jew" are not synonymous and the course of history is widely divergent for the peoples properly classified under each of these titles.

The House of Israel is today an innumerable multitude apart from Jewry, a fact which the *Jewish Chronicle* for May 2, 1879 recognized by its reference to the ten tribes as represented by peoples who are not Jews. There it is stated: "The Scriptures speak of a future restoration of Israel, which is clearly to include both Judah and Ephraim [another term designating the House of Israel]. The problem, then, is reduced to its simplest form. The ten tribes are certainly in existence. All that has to be done is to discover which people represent them."

The information published in DESTINY provides the evidence showing that Israel left Palestine while the Jews remained. The movements of the Israel clans are traced out of the East, across Europe to their new settlement in the Isles of Britain, and then on to America. The prophets foretold Israel's westward trek and the monuments and traditions record the Divinely-guided wanderings of this people who left "waymarks" behind them as they journeyed toward their ultimate destination. Today the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples alone bear all the marks by which the House of Israel was to be known in the latter days and they have unconsciously fulfilled in their history, and do fulfill in their present-day activities, what the Word of God declares would be accomplished by them in these latter times.

It is natural that, in the presentation of facts at first thought so startling, the immediate effect of proclaiming these new (yet not new) truths will bring opposition from some quarters where past beliefs are upset. But the evidence of racial movements throughout history, and the marks set forth by which the Israel of God was to be known in modern days, are so unmistakably clear that the failure to seriously consider the evidence will jeopardize the future welfare of the Anglo-Saxon race. For if the people of this race are the lineal descendants of the northern ten-tribed Kingdom of Israel — and they are — there has been placed upon them today a responsibility they cannot escape. The failure to awaken to the knowledge of their identity and assume their responsibility as the people with whom God made His unalterable covenants, and upon whom He laid His law, will bring upon them inevitable national suffering and trouble.

Were the opponents of the identity right in their

assumptions, there would, of course, be no such responsibility; but here again it is essential that the facts be made known. This DESTINY is doing. The people themselves constitute the court of appeal and must render a decision as to whether the facts presented are correct or the objections raised are valid. It is also important to carefully consider that God Himself will pass final judgment in accordance with the verdict rendered by the people, bringing weal or woe upon the nations of Israel in days to come as the inevitable consequence of the course chosen and pursued.

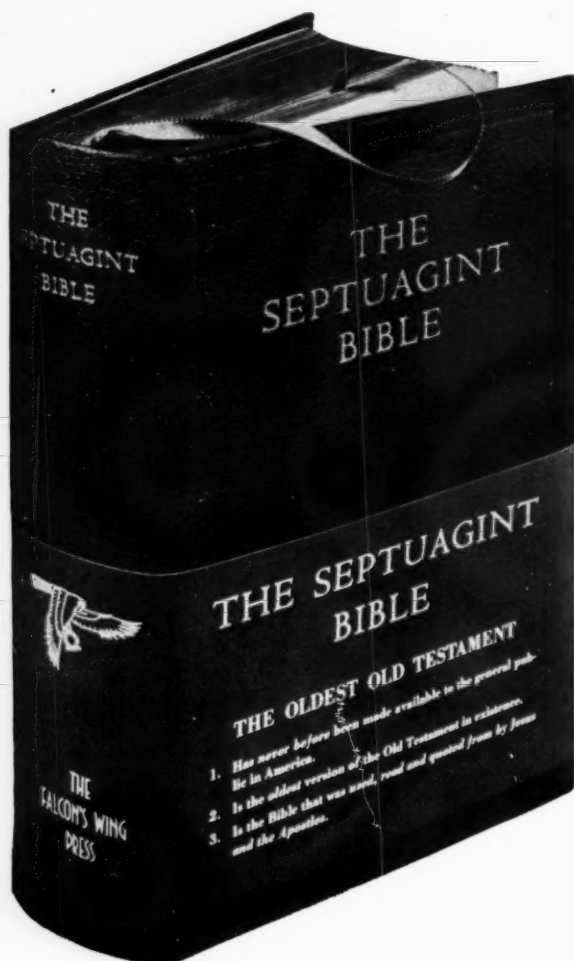
Let those who are opposed to proclaiming the identity ponder well the fact that they, too, have a tremendous personal responsibility. When it is universally recognized that the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples are modern Israel, opponents of this truth who have succeeded in leading many astray, and hindered to that extent the national awakening and return to God in wholehearted acknowledgment of His sovereignty and obedience to His laws, will discover that He will not hold them guiltless.

God is not a man that He should lie and He gave His promise that Israel (He did not say Judah) would never cease to be a nation before Him. He gave the continuity of the heavenly signs as a guarantee of this (Jer. 31: 35-36). The *Jewish Chronicle* says, "Find this people" and DESTINY points to the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples in whose history the prophecies of the Scriptures pertaining to the House of Israel are all being fulfilled today.

Sometimes the objection is raised that, because we stress the Gospel of the Kingdom, we have failed to recognize the part personal salvation plays in the redemptive plans of God. While DESTINY Magazine does give specific attention to the Kingdom evangel, this is by no means an indication that the Gospel of Salvation is relegated to a lesser position.

Of paramount importance to every individual is the necessity to become reconciled with God through His Son Jesus Christ. This is requisite to citizenship in the Kingdom of God and DESTINY presents the vital spiritual needs of every individual who strives to become an overcomer and attain the victor's crown. That phase of the Gospel message is as essential to the individual as the Gospel of the Kingdom is to the nation, which proclaims the identity and responsibility of the nations of Israel today and the necessity for the restoration of the administration of the Law of the Lord as the law of the land.

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